



Paralegal (Legal Assistant)
Associate of Applied Science

Catalog Year: 2019-20

Public Safety Pathway

AC Course Number	Required Course Titles	Credit Hours	Semesters Offered	Course Modalities
FIRST YEAR				
First Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1307	Introduction to Law and the Legal Professions	3	F, Sp, Su	F2F, Int
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1303	Legal Research	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2305	Interviewing and Investigating	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 1301	Composition I	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
<input type="checkbox"/> ISTW 1301	Introduction to Word Processing	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
<input type="checkbox"/> STSU 0300	Student Success	0	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
Second Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1345	Civil Litigation	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1119	Legal Ethics	1	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2331	Advanced Legal Research	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> SPCH 1318	Interpersonal Communication	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
<input type="checkbox"/> XXXX 13xx	Creative Arts Core*	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
<input type="checkbox"/> XXXX x3xx	Life & Physical Sciences Core **	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
SECOND YEAR				
First Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1353	Wills, Trusts, and Probate Administration	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1355	Family Law	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 1305	Legal Writing	3	F	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2313	Criminal Law and Procedure	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> GOVT 2305	Federal Government	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
Second Semester				
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2371	Advanced Criminal Law and Procedure	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2309	Real Property	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2303	Torts and Personal Injury Law	3	Sp	F2F
<input type="checkbox"/> PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3	F, W, Sp, Su	F2F, Int, Hyb
<input type="checkbox"/> LGLA 2266	Practicum (or Field Experience)	2	F, Sp, Su	Int
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		60		

* Choose from ARTS 1301, DRAM 1310, MUSI 1306, or MUSI 1310

** Choose from BIOL 1322, CHEM 1305, or PHYS 1305

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Transfer Opportunities

Can work as a Paralegal with the two year Associate of Applied Science. Can also further your career as a Paralegal by passing the NALA exam (National Association of Legal Assistants), which is offered here at Angelina College. If wanting to become a lawyer, can pursue a Bachelor's Degree then apply to Law School.

Marketable Skills

- 1) Work well on a team
- 2) Define, explain and interpret legal information
- 3) Use critical thinking to identify strengths and weakness to determine solutions
- 4) Identify appropriate information sources
- 5) Schedule/coordinate Operations
- 6) Use current technology to diagnose and solve problems
- 7) Use Troubleshooting to determine causes and decide what to do about it
- 8) Think on your feet

Career Opportunities and Salaries

Average Salary: \$38,012

Can work as a Paralegal in:

Criminal Law
Family Law
Employment Law
Probate & Estate Planning Law
Personal Injury Law
Contract Law
District Attorney
Legal Aid Office
Law Enforcement Agency
Legislative Offices
Judge's Office
Court System
Attorney General's Office
Environmental Protection Agency
FBI
Military
Private Company or Corporation

Technical Skills

Graduates of the Paralegal Program know how to draft legal documents, do legal research, interview witnesses and clients, investigate cases, participate in mock trials, and have excellent communications skills. Students will also get to go to court and observe actual court cases and jury trials.

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